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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS  
DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: "Other Transaction" Authority (OTA) for Prototype  
Projects

Reference: USD(AT&L) directive-type policy memorandum,  
21 December 2000, same subject.

The referenced memorandum provides policy for implementation and use of OTA for certain prototype projects directly relevant to weapons or weapon systems proposed to be acquired or developed by the Department of Defense. Typically a directive-type policy memorandum is converted to a DoD issuance within 90 days. However, the OT Guide issued by the memorandum includes interim draft audit policy for which the formal rule-making process is not yet complete. This precludes conversion of the policy memorandum and OT Guide to DoD issuances at this time.

I hereby extend the policy set forth in the referenced memorandum and OT Guide until such time that audit policy has completed the formal rule-making process and the Department's policy on OTA is implemented in a DoD issuance.

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